



IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hasselbrink, Jr.

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Starsiak, J.

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants submit the following in complete response to the Office Action of 08/19/2004. In view of the response below, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the claims.